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The Honorable Mike Rogers  
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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes  
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Dear Reps. Rogers and Reyes:

On behalf of AMVETS (American Veterans), thank you so much for your bill that would restrict protests at national cemeteries during funeral honors. It is time we had legislation that would allow grieving families to bury their loved ones in peace.

I am sickened to learn that more than 100 military funerals in the last nine months have been interrupted by aggressive war protests. This disrespectful display is the last thing mourners need to see at a funeral service.

I will never understand why protestors would disrespect American patriots in this way. Families burying their husbands, wives, sons or daughters should not be subject to threats and intimidation. Your bill is very timely and I hope it receives swift passage on the House floor.

Again, thank you for your legislation and your support of veterans and their families. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to assist your office in getting this bill signed into law.

Sincerely,

James B. King  
National Executive Director

Cc: Rep. Steve Buyer, Chairman, Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
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